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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Franz Josef NIEDERNOSTHEIDE Confirmation No.: 7374  
Application No.: 10/089,303 Examiner: Kevin V. Quinto  
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**AMENDMENT**

Sir or Madam:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 26, 2008, the due date being September 26, 2008, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this Amendment.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this Amendment.

	Claims remaining after Amendment		Highest number previously paid for		Present extra
<b>Total</b>	3	-	20	=	0
<b>Independent</b>	2	-	3	=	0